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Preliminary Classification:

Proposed Class:

Subclass:

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Mail Stop Patent Application  
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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For (title): Detection and amplification of ligands

1. Type of Application

This application is for a continuation.

2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Applications (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, or 121)

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. applications. Enclosed are  
ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR  
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if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))

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Filing Fee Calculation

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770.00

**9. Assertion of Small Entity Status**

Applicant hereby asserts status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.  
Status as a small entity was asserted in the prior application 09/821,396 filed on March 29, 2001 from which benefit is being claimed for this application under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) and which status as a small entity is still proper and asserted for this application.

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\$385.00

**10. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

Not Enclosed

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**11. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

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**12. Instructions as to Overpayment**

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**ADDED SECTION FOR APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S.  
APPLICATIONS CLAIMED  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.78)**

**13. Relate Back**

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line following the title, the following sentence:

**A. 35 U.S.C. Sections 120, 121 and 365(c)**

"This application is a continuation of copending application of copending application  
Application number 09/821,396 filed on March 29, 2001."